

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MOPS, CASC, LA

SUBJECT: AMCIT CHARLES M. DEAN

REF: VIENTIANE 0117

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER FROM AMBASSADOR TO FOREIGN MINISTER PHOUMI VONGVICHIT, SENT JANUARY 13, PASSING PHOTOGRAPHS OF DEAN/SHARMAN MENTIONED IN PARA 2C REFTEL.

2. BEGIN TEXT: EXCELLENCY: SINCE I LAST WROTE YOU CONCERNING THE MISSING AMERICAN CITIZEN, CHARLES DEAN, AND HIS AUSTRALIAN COMPANION, NEIL SHARMAN, I HAVE BEEN PROVIDED THEIR PHOTOGRAPHS BY FAR OFFICIALS. THE PHOTOGRAPHS WERE GIVEN TO SENIOR CORPORAL TANH, A FAR SOLDIER, BY MESSRS. DEAN AND SHARMAN WHILE THEY WERE UNDER DETENTION IN A PRISON AT KHAM KEUT AND WERE BROUGHT OUT BY CORPORAL TANH WHEN HE ESCAPED ON NOVEMBER 14, 1974. I AM FORWARDING THE ORIGINAL PHOTOGRAPHS AND ENLARGEMENTS TO YOU FOR WHATEVER USEFUL PURPOSE YOU MAY FIND. (COMPLIMENTARY UNCLASSIFIED

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CLOSE) END TEXT.

3. PLEASE PASS FOREGOING TO HOWARD DEAN.  
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